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TEXAS WATER COMMISSION *WAT 3,*

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August 31, 1988

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ORIGINAL TRANSMITTED TWO
REQUESTS.
FOR THE ORIGINAL SEE

WAT 12-2-5-2
URI-ROSITA

Mr. Oscar Cabra, Jr., P.E., Chief
Water Supply Branch (6W-S)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region VI
1445 Ross Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

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Attn: Ms. Stephanie Johnson (6W-SU)

Re: Aquifer Exemption Requests, Everest
Exploration, Inc. - Gruy-7B Site and
URI, Inc. - Rosita Site

Dear Mr. Cabra:

Enclosed for your information are two orders issued by the Texas Water Commission granting the aquifer exemptions for the Everest Exploration, Inc. Gruy-7B Site and the URI, Inc. Rosita Site. The Commission hereby requests final approval on these two applications. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. Dale Kohler at (512) 463-8278.

Sincerely,

Bruce E Fink

Bruce E. Fink, Assistant Chief
Ground Water Conservation Section

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Enclosure

TEXAS WATER COMMISSION



AN ORDER Designating an Exempted Aquifer
for EVEREST EXPLORATION, INC., Gruy-7B
Mine Site, Permit No. URO2914, In Situ
Uranium Mining Project

On August 2, 1988, came on to be considered before the Texas Water Commission, after proper and timely notice and opportunity for public hearing, the application of Everest Exploration, Inc., P. O. Box 1339, Corpus Christi, Texas 78403 for exempted aquifer status for its Gruy-7B In Situ Uranium Mining Project, located approximately three miles northwest of Hebbronville, adjacent to State Highway 16, in Jim Hogg County, Texas.

After considering the application and all supporting information, the Commission finds that:


- (1) groundwater in the aquifer, the subject of the application, meets the criteria for fresh water;
- (2) the aquifer does not currently serve as a source of drinking water for human consumption;
- (3) until the exempt status is removed, the aquifer will not in the future serve as a source of drinking water for human consumption because it is mineral-bearing, with production capability; and
- (4) the applicant shall restore the aquifer upon closure of the mining project pursuant to Permit No. URO2914.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE TEXAS WATER COMMISSION that subsurface strata in the entire mining zone of Gruy-7B In Situ Uranium Mining Project, as indicated on Figure 3a, located in the Lower Oakville Formation, ranging in depth from 150 to 340 feet and covering the area as outlined on Figure 2, be designated as an exempted aquifer pursuant to 31 Texas Administrative Code §331.13, Texas Water Commission rules.

The applicant shall make all reasonable efforts to

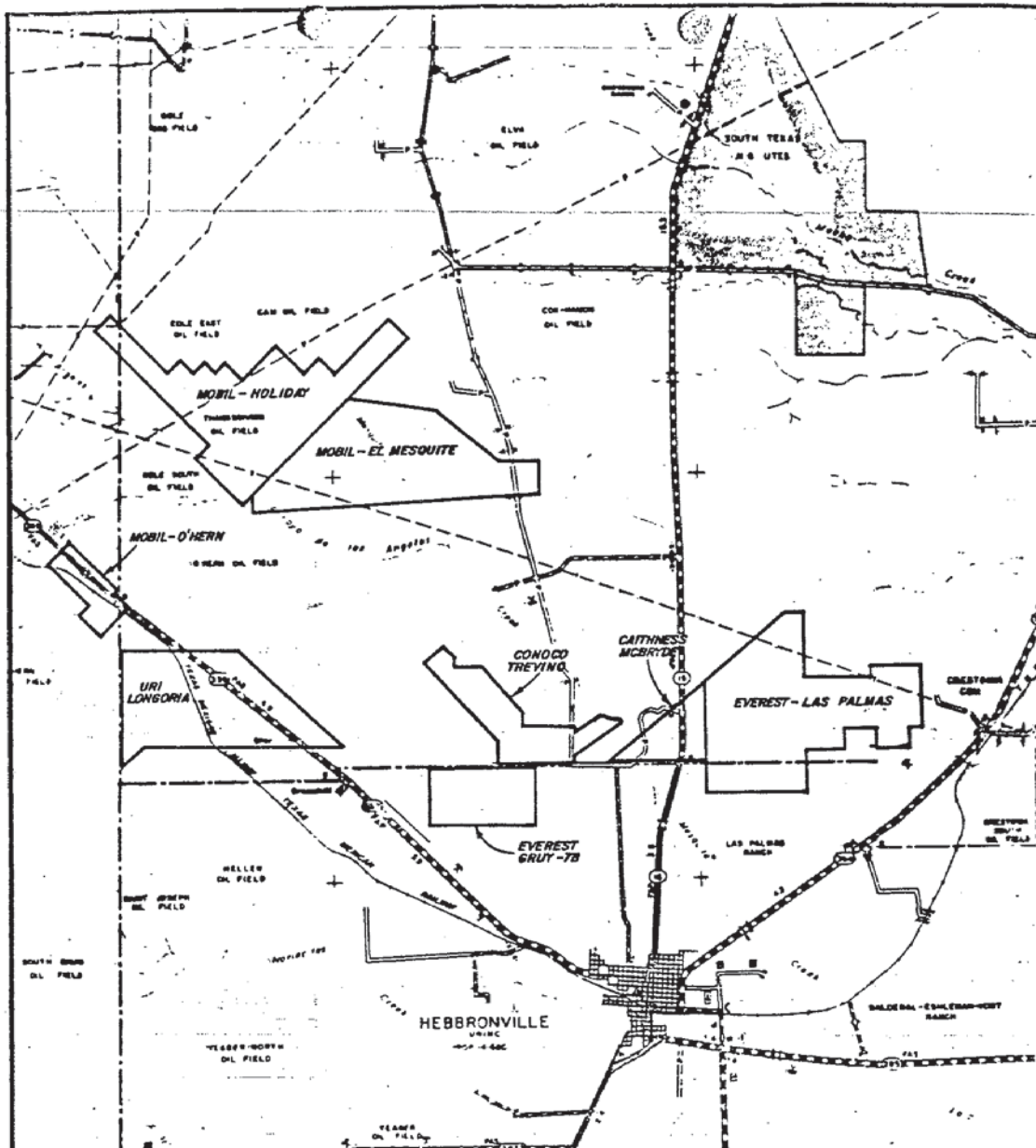
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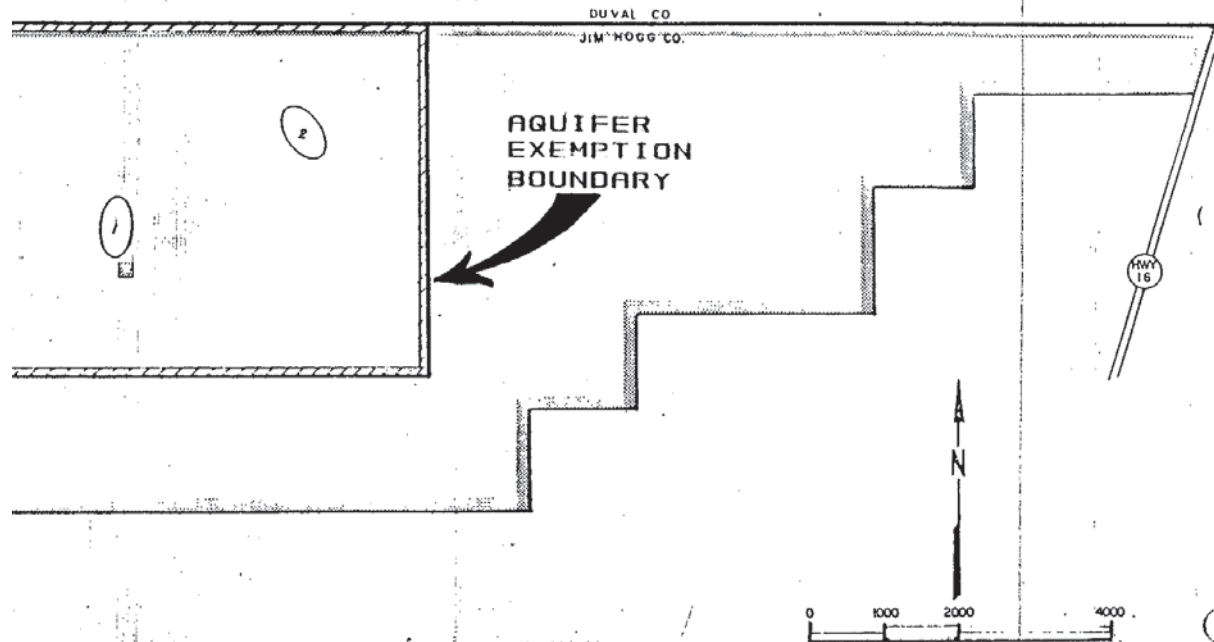
TEXAS WATER COMMISSION


B. J. Wynne, III, Chairman






ATTEST:


Karen A. Phillips, Chief Clerk





LEGEND

-  LEASE BOUNDARY (2,000 Acres)
-  PERMIT AREA BOUNDARY (885 Acres)
-  100 FOOT BUFFER ZONE
-  PRODUCTION FACILITY
-  PRODUCTION AREA (25 Acres Total)

EVEREST EXPLORATION INC.
GRUY-7B PROJECT

MINE PLAN MAP

Figure 2

SCALE: 1" = 2000'	DATE: 9-15-UG	DRWN BY: M. LEWIS
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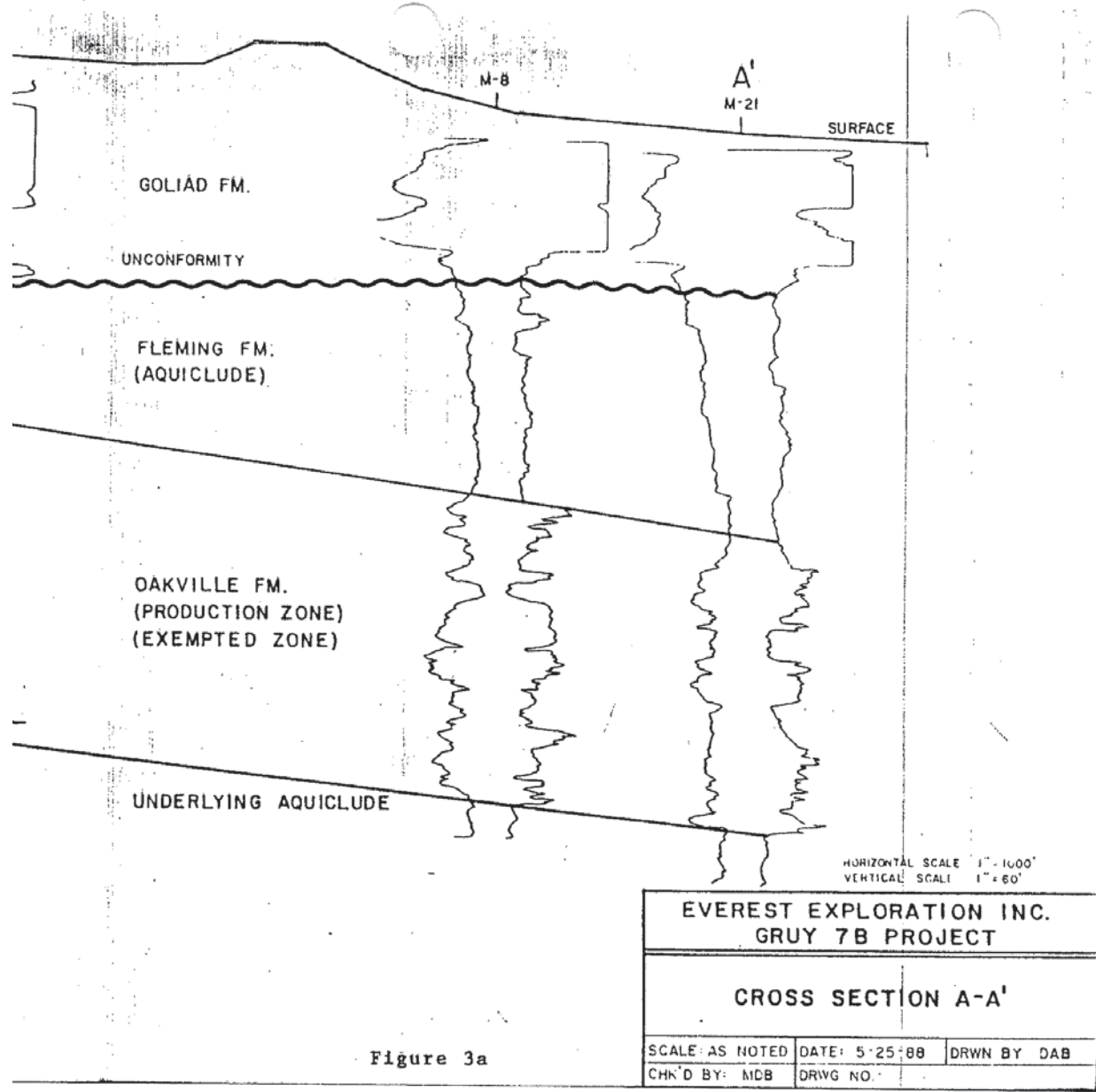


Figure 3a

